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SUBJECT: REFUGEES EX-CHILE - UNHCR

1. UNHCR HAS APPROACHED MISSION CONCERNING REFUGEE SITUATION IN CHILE AND PROBLEM OF CHILEAN REFUGEES IN OTHER LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES.

2. ACCORDING UNHCR PROBLEM OF FOREIGN REFUGEES IN CHILE LARGELY RESOLVED WITH MORE THAN 2,000 HAVING BEEN RESETTLED OUTSIDE CHILE. UNHCR HAS EXPENDED \$967,200 ON THIS PROGRAM TO DATE. SPECIAL CONTRIBUTIONS FROM GOVERNMENTS DENMARK, NETHERLANDS, AND SWEDEN FOR THIS PURPOSE HAVE TOTALLED \$700,000. BALANCE OF EXPENDITURES HAVE BEEN COVERED FROM UNHCR EMERGENCY FUND.

3. UNHCR NOW CALLED UPON TO CONCERN ITSELF AND ASSIST SEVERAL THOUSAND CHILEAN REFUGEES IN VARIOUS LATIN AMERICAN COUNTRIES, PRINCIPALLY ARGENTINA AND PERU. UNHCR ESTIMATES THAT \$1.2 MILLION REQUIRED TO PROVIDE INTEGRATION, RESETTLEMENT AND FAMILY REUNION ASSISTANCE TO THESE REFUGEES DURING PERIOD APRIL - SEPTEMBER 1974.

4. UNHCR HAS BRIEFED US ON THIS MATTER IN BELIEF THAT USG
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MAY WISH TO CONSIDER MAKING SPECIAL FINANCIAL CONTRIBUTION TO

ENABLE UNHCR CONTINUE ITS IMPORTANT ACTIVITIES BEHALF THIS NEW
REFUGEE GROUP DURING NEXT 6 MONTHS.

4. IN RESPONSE TO MISOFF'S QUERY, UNHCR EXPRESSED BELIEF
THAT GOVERNMENTS OF DENMARK, FRANCE, FRG, NETHERLANDS,
NORWAY, SWEDEN AND SWITZERLAND WOULD MAKE FURTHER SPECIAL
CONTRIBUTIONS TO UNHCR FOR THIS PURPOSE.

6. MISOFF ASSURED UNHCR THAT MATTER WOULD BE REFERRED
PROMPTLY TO DEPARTMENT. PLEASE ADVISE ASAP WHETHER USG
CONSIDERING SPECIAL CONTRIBUTION TO UNHCR FOR ASSISTANCE TO
SUBJECT REFUGEES. IF SO, WHAT AMOUNT BEING CONSIDERED.DALE

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